

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER
U. S. WEATHER BUREAU.
May 13, 1918—Last twenty-four hours: Partly clear, 70° to 80°. Temperature, Min. 71; Max. 78. Weather, clear.

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All Meals Meatless and one Wheatless.

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GERMAN OFFENSIVE NOT YET SPENT INDICATED BY AIRMEN'S REPORTS

Observers Are Watching Serre In Anticipation of Attempt At Turning Movement — Amiens May Be Salient For Another Effort

NOTHING INDICATES IMMEDIATE RESUMPTION

London Newspaper Publishes Report From German Prisoners von Hindenburg Is Dead—Believed Story Used To Explain Failure

NEW YORK, May 14—(Associated Press)—Although the fighting along the western front yesterday was confined to only local actions, having no bearing on the situation as a whole, and there was nothing in the maneuvering of German troops along the immediate front to indicate any early resumption of the German offensive, military critics find no encouragement in this of any idea that the German bolt has been shot and that the effort to obtain a final victory on the west has been abandoned. Through the reports of the air-men and otherwise, the Entente commanders know that the Germans are bringing forward every available reinforcement and are straining every possibility to place themselves in position to strike a greater and a more powerful blow.

WATCH TWO SALIENTS

Experts are watching the German movements at Serre, a few miles west of Bapaume, which would be the logical point for starting an attempted turning movement against Arras. Heavy firing to the south may indicate that the Germans are preparing in that sector for a new movement against Amiens and consequently their efforts in that direction are receiving equal attention.

General Haig last night reported that heavy firing continued to the north of Serre and to the north of Kemmel. Earlier British reports had told of heavy shelling of positions in the Somme Valley, the Albert sector and between Locan and the Nispe forest. No infantry activities were mentioned in these reports.

On the French front, also, the activities were confined to artillery engagements and Paris despatches said the fire was heavy in Picardy along both sides of the Avere River.

HINDENBURG DEAD

Much interest attaches to an unverified report that von Hindenburg is dead which was published in the London Express yesterday. That paper said that German prisoners had reported the death of the German commander and declared that General von Mackensen, who won his successes in the northern fields, is the great man who is now expected to bring about a German victory.

It is assumed that the story of the death of von Hindenburg has been circulated among the German soldiers to explain the failure of the great offensive of which so much had been expected.

MAY BE TERMINAL

OAKLAND, May 13—(Official)—This city expects to be the terminal headquarters for the \$15,000,000 Van Omeran corporation, which is proposing to transfer its Dutch steamers to the American trade, with six vessels of 8000 tons each, and beginning at once with vessels of 11,000 tonnage on Pacific routes to Oriental ports.

BRITISH STEADILY PUSH FORWARD TOWARD OBJECTIVE

General Marshall Gives Turks In Mesopotamia No Time To Recuperate And Moves Forward On Mosul

LONDON, May 14—(Associated Press)—Giving the Turks no chance to reorganize for successful resistance, General Marshall is steadily pushing north from Bagdad for Mosul, the main city of Northern Mesopotamia and the point at which it was believed at one time the British and Russian armies operating against the Turks would form a junction.

Delayed reports from General Marshall state that British cavalry pushed north from Kerkuk on Saturday and drove the Turks across the Little Zab river, after a running fight for twenty miles, in which the Ottomans lost heavily and abandoned the greater part of their supplies. The British advanced posts are now at a point near Altyn Kupri, sixty miles southeast of Mosul. A much traveled caravan route runs from the present British position to Arbil and from thence to Mosul, passing close to the ruins of Nineveh.

AUSTRIAN EFFORT MEETS WITH DEFEAT

Attempts To Recover Commanding Positions On Monte Corneo Costly Failure

WASHINGTON, May 14—(Associated Press)—Efforts on the part of the Austro-German forces to recover the positions which were taken from them by the assault of the Italians on Saturday against Monte Corneo fell down completely yesterday, according to reports received from Rome.

It was expected that the Austrians would counter against the new positions of the Italians and this expectation was verified by the events of the day. The enemy attacked in force but were swept back in each effort by the withering fire of the Italians and finally retired after suffering severe losses in casualties.

A despatch to the Italian embassy said that Italian prisoners in Austria are being subjected to horrible cruelties in a systematic effort by Austria to destroy the manhood of Italy. The wounded men are stripped and left without food, and most of them die of hunger.

PLAN SETTLEMENT OF LABOR TROUBLE

Program of War Labor Board Is Announced and Is Comprehensive and Sure

WASHINGTON, May 14—(Associated Press)—Plans for the settlement of an industrial disputes were yesterday announced by the war labor board and are comprehensive in their scope. These proposals provide for the appointment of local arbitration boards. Sub-committees of the war labor board are to handle any appeals that may come from the local arbitrators. Above these sub-committees comes the war labor board itself as a supreme court. Trained agents will be employed and these will serve upon the committees. The department of labor has started the naturalizing of 76,000 aliens for the national army in accordance with the new law. Some of these are already drafted and the aid of cantonment commanders has been asked.

INTERNED ENEMY GETS OUT ON BAIL BOND

CHICAGO, May 14—(Associated Press)—Count James Minotto, son-in-law of James F. Swift, the meat packer whose stockholders yesterday voted to increase the capitalization of the company's stock from \$100,000,000 to \$150,000,000, has been arrested as a dangerous enemy alien and ordered interned. Yesterday he secured a writ of habeas corpus and was released on \$50,000.

FIRST American tank which was recently completed in a plant near Boston at a cost of sixty thousand dollars. It was taken to Boston and there it was formally christened "America". It is the first of a type of which many others are building.



HUNS MUST BUILD NEW TYPE OF PESTS

Submarines Are To Be Better Armed and Armored For Present Ones Are Failure

WASHINGTON, May 14—(Associated Press)—It is claimed that Germany at length realizes that its submarines of the present time have been beaten and from now on may be considered as practically failures. To meet this condition it is said that the Germans are planning to build a new series of undersea craft, more heavily armed and armored. Despite the many denials that have come from Germany the work of the British and American destroyer fleets has been most effective.

A French despatch which was received at yesterday's dispatches, Minister of Marine Leygues is saying that he estimates the 1918 sinkings at 3,700,000 tons, this estimate being based upon those reported so far this year.

This is less than the shipping board's estimated production for the United States and the Allies' production this year will be 5,000,000 tons more.

The despatch referred to said that the effectiveness of the German submarine war is plainly declining. Minister of Marine Leygues today told the marine committee of the chamber of deputies. He said that Germany is aware of the falling powers of the U-boats and is striving to conceal the situation. Minister of Marine von Capell of Germany on April 17 claimed that the U-boats were sinking 600,000 tons of shipping monthly, but Leygues said that these figures are those of July, 1917, and that the rate has declined from that until now it is less than 300,000 tons monthly.

America's Services
Minister of the Blockade Geddes, writing to Secretary of Navy Daniels, says that he has the greatest admiration for the American naval officers and men. They have been a splendid help and he considers Admiral Sims as absolutely invaluable in the services he has rendered and is constantly rendering.

ARMY OF WORKERS IN RED CROSS DRIVE

Seventy-five Hundred Speakers Are Lending Services To Cause of Humanity

WASHINGTON, May 14—(Associated Press)—Seventy-five hundred speakers are to participate in the great Red Cross drive, the list including most of the best known and most earnest speakers in the country, of every race and of every creed. Among those who are working hard for the cause of humanity are fifty veterans from Pershing's forces who will tell of their experiences. Most of them have suffered wounds or have been gassed. Two hundred wounded Allies are also campaigning.

In the list of other workers are Madame Schuman Heink, Gluck, former President Taft, former Presidential Candidate Hughes, Parker, Fairbanks, Wickham, Kenyon, Cummings, Tarkington, besides hundreds of distinguished women as well as men.

BAVARIAN AVIATOR IS FINALLY BROUGHT DOWN

AMSTERDAM, May 13—(Associated Press)—Lieutenant Geigel, a Bavarian, credited with fifteen aerial victories, has been killed in action on the Western front, according to Berlin advices.

HOSPITALITY SHOWN TO ALLY SOLDIERS

Italians and Belgians Reaching San Francisco From Russia Are Guests of Honor

SAN FRANCISCO, May 13—(Official)—Mayor Rolph and many other officials today welcomed 200 Belgian and 107 Italian soldiers brought here by an American troopship from the Orient after they had fought for Russia until that country abandoned war. Months were required for the trip through Siberia to Vladivostok and Peking as the only route to their home countries, where the warriors intend again to join battle against the Germans.

Quarters have been provided at the Presidio military reservation, where they are being visited by hundreds of army officers, leading Italian residents, and others. The best cooks in the city have been detailed to serve these guests.

They are wearing the uniforms used in Russia and will parade on Tuesday, escorted by several thousand American troops.

Automobiles offered by citizens are affording them sightseeing tours. Lieut. Eugene Garibaldi, descendant of the great Italian liberator, and R. Santina have arrived from Washington to escort the Italians across the continent to an Atlantic port, whence they will sail for Europe.

Lieutenant Santina said that thousands of other Italians who were forced into the Austrian army and who voluntarily surrendered to the Russians are coming here as rapidly as possible. Also coming from Russia was Leonina Bolchakova who founded the Russian women's Battalion of Death, who said: "I am on my way to France where I intend to enlist and expect to see the light and crush the enemy."

AUSTRIANS GROW MORE PESSIMISTIC

Say New Cabinet Is An Experiment and Cannot Last But Berlin Keeps Chipper

WASHINGTON, May 14—(Associated Press)—Pessimism in Austria is on the increase as is shown by the reported articles in the Austrian press. These freely say that the cabinet which Weckerle has organized is an experiment, a make shift affair and cannot be permanent.

The Berlin correspondent of the Stockholm Tidning says that the Prussian franchise reform measures are likely to be rejected on third reading by an increased majority in the diet. But Berlin despatches say the chief features of an agreement to strengthen the alliance between Germany and Austria have been laid down at a visit of Emperor Charles of Austria to German headquarters, and the two countries are in complete accord, says an official statement today.

INVESTIGATES HOLDING OF ARMS FOR GERMANY

NEW YORK, May 13—(Associated Press)—One of the most important investigations to be undertaken relative to pro-German activities will be started tomorrow by Attorney General Lewis.

It is alleged that great quantities of arms and ammunition have been held and are still being held in this country for German account by certain individuals or concerns. It is said that these supplies include a million Mauser rifles, quantities of machine guns and an immense store of cartridges for these arms.

GREAT INCREASE IN RAIL RATES NEEDED

Raise of Twenty-five Percent Proposed Assuming Wage Increases Are Granted

WASHINGTON, May 14—(Associated Press)—Railroad men and administration officials estimate that it will be necessary to increase both freight and passenger rates by twenty-five percent in order to meet the increased cost of operation. This cost will be the largest in the history of railroad operation. This increase of twenty-five percent in all rates has been recommended to Director of Transportation McAdoo who is expected to act within the next six weeks.

This estimated rate of increase presumes that the director general will approve the recommendations of the railroad wage commission.

WASHINGTON, May 13—(Associated Press)—Director of Transportation McAdoo yesterday issued the orders which will put into effect his previously announced plans for a curtailment of passenger service between Chicago and Pacific Coast points.

In issuing the order the administrator of the railroads said that the eliminating of these trains will cause a saving of 12,000,000 train miles for the year.

PLIGHT OF FORMER RUSSIAN CZAR AND FAMILY IS PITEOUS

LONDON, May 13—(Associated Press)—The Russian Soviet, Moscow despatches say, has confirmed the story of the removal of ex-Czar Nicholas, the ex-empress and their three daughters from Tobolsk to Ekaterinburg, saying that it was done in the thwarting of a conspiracy to assist them to escape. They are now in a small house with only one or two attendants and no strangers are allowed to approach them.

A report from Odessa received in Amsterdam says that the former dowager empress of Russia and the Grand Duke Nicholas Alexander Nicolaievitch are living in the Crimea, and are now in territory held by the Germans.

WAR UNTIL VICTORY CONGRESS IS ASKED

WASHINGTON, May 14—(Associated Press)—A delegation representing the league of national unity has presented an appeal to Congress calling upon all congressmen to unite in the election of a "War Till Victory Congress".

The delegation asks for a coalition of parties where it may be necessary, where a split would mean the election of a disloyal candidate.

RESTORATION OF FREEDOM DECLARED TO BE OBJECT

PEKING, China, May 12—(Associated Press)—A despatch from Harbin official sources bearing date says that news has been received there that General Semenov and Bolsheviki troops have advanced on the trans-Siberian railway to Adrianople, west of Omon. The general declares that the movement is not counter to the aims of the revolutionaries but is mentioned to restore the lawful freedom of Russia. Many Russian soldiers in Siberia are joining Semenov.

AMERICANS WILL BEAR THEIR FULL SHARE IN FIGHTING IN FRANCE

AMERICAN SHELLS DESTROY HUGE AMMUNITION DUMP

Positions Strengthened and Enemy's Hope of Penetrating Lines Grows Faint — Airmen Have Busy Day

WASHINGTON, May 14—(Associated Press)—Increasing activity on the part of the American forces on the Western front is indicated in the reports which were received from headquarters in France last evening. Splendid work had been done by the well directed fire of the artillery and the air forces had performed an important part.

Well directed fire by the American artillery fired a huge ammunition dump back of the German lines in the Cantigny sector. A mass of flame, a great column of debris and dust and a deep detonation which could be heard a great distance told of the success of the missile.

On none of the American sectors was there any infantry fighting during the day and in the meantime the Americans have been materially strengthening their positions. German hopes of penetrating the American lines are diminishing.

Improved weather conditions have given the opportunity for more work in the air and this opportunity the American aviators have seized. Yesterday they took their planes through the enemy air defenses and bombed several areas in the rear of the German positions.

The American aviators have received war crosses. These are Major Ralph Royce of Michigan and Lieutenant Herbert Carls of New York and Paul Meyers of Milwaukee.

Germanies announced yesterday seventeen slightly wounded and one missing in the marine corps and thirty-six in the army. In the latter list were nine died of wounds, two of accidents, five of disease and one from another cause. The wounded numbered thirty-one, twelve severely hurt, and thirty-eight were missing.

ENTER VILLAGE AND FIND IT ABANDONED

WASHINGTON, May 13—(Official)—The American troops on the Lunville sector have found that the Germans abandoned the village of Ancerville, also trenches elsewhere. Prisoners taken on this front say that the German losses in the recent Seicheprey fight were officially 600, which is twice what Berlin claimed as the losses inflicted on the Yankees.

BRITISH AVIATORS DAMAGE SEAPORTS

Visit Ostend and Zeebrugge and Completely Destroy Seaplane Base At Latter

LONDON, May 14—(Associated Press)—Aeroplanes from Dunkirk made a successful raid upon Ostend yesterday and inflicted considerable damage, according to the official report which was issued last night. They then proceeded to Zeebrugge where they inflicted further damage.

Reaching Ostend the raiders bombed the docks and several hits were distinctly observed. Proceeding to Zeebrugge they bombed the mole and the adjacent shipping and completely destroyed a seaplane base back of the mole. On the mole a number of hits were scored.

Encounters occurred with enemy air craft and of these eight were downed. Only one British plane was missing last night.

QUEEN OF HOLLAND IS SUBJECTED TO HISSING

LONDON, May 14—(Associated Press)—According to the Amsterdam correspondent of the Daily Express, Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, was hissed for the first time in her reign, by the people of Amsterdam during a visit she paid to the city April 4. The action was attributed to the growing shortage of food, which is irritating the Dutch people to the point of exasperation.

GOES TO UKRAINE

NEW YORK, May 14—(Associated Press)—Baron Mumm von Schwarzenstein, formerly German ambassador to Tokyo, has been appointed temporary diplomatic representative of Germany in Ukraine and left for Kiev March 11, say German newspapers received here.

London Officials Declare Ottawa Despatch Was Due To Error In Interpretation of Message From War Cabinet

DENIALS COME QUICKLY FROM WASHINGTON ALSO

British Minister First Says Report Directly Contrary To Information Which He Had Received From Home

WASHINGTON, May 14—(Associated Press)—British officials last night informed the London correspondent of the Associated Press that the report sent out from Ottawa on Sunday that the forces of the United States were not to be used by the Allies was due to a mistake. The meaning of the message had been misinterpreted. This effectively sets at rest the doubts and anxieties which were manifested throughout the country yesterday and which denials from the British ambassador and the secretary of war had not been able to entirely remove.

It is believed here that the misunderstanding arose through a misinterpretation of the words "integral body," and these were meant to imply that the American army as a whole would not be used at this time.

Denials of the Ottawa report as it was generally printed came quickly yesterday. Lord Reading, the British minister, said that the burden of the despatch was directly in contravention of the information which he had, that the American forces were to be used. He was confident there was some mistake and that no such information was sent out by Lloyd George or the war cabinet. What was really meant, he said, he was at a loss to interpret.

Secretary of War Baker also denied the despatch and said it was contrary to the last information which he had from the military authorities in Europe.

WILL NOT BE USED AS "INTEGRAL FORCE"

OTTAWA, May 13—(Associated Press)—The British cabinet's war committee is said to have decided to retain American forces overseas as an "integral force" until they attain a powerful size for a decisive stroke. The Allies meanwhile feel certainly able to hold the enemy while the Germans waste themselves in a futile offensive, with most of the French reserves still unused.

The committee's summary of the situation notes: "The enemy's reserves have nearly reached complete exhaustion."

CIVILIAN SOLDIERS LIKED BY BRITONS

WASHINGTON, May 13—(Official)—The London Times, commenting on the parade through London last week of American soldiers, says: "This peaceful invasion has beggared the forecasts of historians, and made cheap even the dreams of idealists," adding: "Londoners must have been minded of another civilian army, worn now, which we owe to the genius of Lord Kitchener. None of these in the American parade was a soldier when the United States entered the war. If we can boast of our miracle, America can do so with equal justice. Actual experience with these patriots likely will prove to Germany that they have acquired an aptitude similar to that which Kitchener's volunteers so quickly demonstrated."

SUB-TREASURY BRANCHES ARE TO BE RETAINED

WASHINGTON, May 13—(Associated Press)—The house today receded from its action abolishing eight sub-treasury branches, including that at San Francisco.